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In re Application of:

Seiji HIGURASHI

Serial No. 09/697,084V

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Transmitting Encryption-Resultant Information And Decrypting Information Art Unit: 2133

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AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated April 30, 2004. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Cancel claims 1-8.

Add new claims 9-16.

Replace specification pages 3-6 with the attached pages 3-6.